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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Re: Inventor: Koichi TSUNODA, et al.  
Serial No: 10/026,642  
Filed: December 27, 2001  
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF  
EVALUATING SOUND QUALITY ON IMAGE FORMING  
APPARATUS

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Notice to File Missing Parts, Filing of Declaration/Declaration, Fee Transmittal (copy), Date Stamped Filing Receipt (copy), Request for Priority, Priority Documents (5), Information Disclosure Statement, Statement of Relevancy, PTO Form 1449, Cited References (3)

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

**FILING OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(f)**

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SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated February 15, 2002, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application as evidenced by a copy of the attached fee transmittal and date stamped filing receipt.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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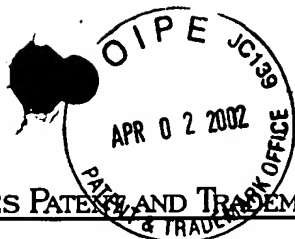
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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon:

- ☒ 82 pp. Specification    19 Claims/Formal Drawings    16 Sheets  
and    2 pages Application Data Sheet
- ☐ Combined Declaration, Petition & Power of Attorney    pages
- ☐ List of Inventor Names and Addresses
- ☒ Utility Patent Application Transmittal    ☐ CPA
- ☐ Notice of Priority    ☐ Priority Doc
- ☒ Check for    \$870.00    ☒ Dep. Acct. Order Form
- ☒ Fee Transmittal Form
- ☐ Assignment/PTO 1595 pages:
- ☐ Letter to Official Draftsman
- ☐ Letter Requesting Approval of Drawing Changes
- ☐ Formal Drawings    sheets    ☐ Formal
- ☐ Letter
- ☐ Amendment
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement    ☐ PTO-1449
- ☐ Cited References
- ☐ Search Report
- ☐ Statement of Relevancy    ☐ Cited Pending Applications
- ☐ IDS/Related/List of Related Cases
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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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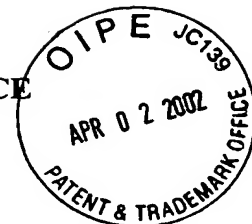
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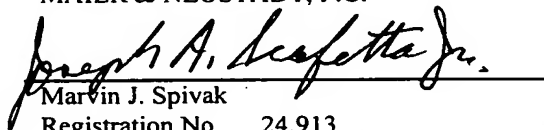
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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$870.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0030.  
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